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SUBJECT: YOUTH MOVEMENTS OF SEVEN PARTIES JOIN TO CALL FOR
NATIONALIZATION OF PETROLEUM AND OTHER NATIONALISTIC
MEASURES

1. IN COMMEMORATION OF VENEZUELAN YOUTH DAY (FEBRUARY 12)
REPRESENTATIVES OF YOUTH MOVEMENTS OF SEVEN POLITICAL GROUPS
HAVE ISSUED JOINT COMMUNIQUE CALLING FOR, AMONG OTHER
MEASURES, IMMEDIATE NATIONALIZATION OF PETROLEUM INDUSTRY.
YOUTH MOVEMENTS NOT ONLY OF OPPOSITION (AS OF MARCH 12)
COPEI, MEP, COMMUNIST PARTY, FDP, UPI, AND INDEPENDENTS,
BUT ALSO OF ACCION DEMOCRATICA, SIGNED COMMUNIQUE.

2. MOST SIGNIFICANT ARE CALLS FOR: (A) ADVANCING REVERSION
AND TAKING DIRECT CONTROL BY STATE OF EXPLORATION, EXPLOITA-
TION, REFINING, TRANSPORT AND SALE OF HYDROCARBONS AND THEIR
DERIVATIVES; (B) ORDERING BY THE EXECUTIVE AND THE CONGRESS
IMMEDIATE NATIONALIZATION OF THE PETROLEUM INDUSTRY;
(C) NATIONALIZING ALL SOURCES OF PRODUCTION OF RAW MATERIALS
AND BASIC INDUSTRIES SUCH AS IRON MINING, BANKS, TRANSPORT,
ELECTRICITY AND SERVICE INDUSTRIES; (D) SUPPORT FOR
RECENTLY DECREED REGULATIONS OF THE LABOR LAW AND DENUNCIATION
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OF OTHERS WHO OPPOSE THE REGULATIONS; (E) IMMEDIATE AMNESTY FOR

POLITICAL PRISONERS; (F) REPUDIATION OF REACTIONARY AND
FASCIST GOVERNMENTS "PRODUCTS OF IMPERIALIST MANIPULATION
IN LATIN AMERICA"; (G) REORGANIZING OAS TO EXCLUDE U.S.
WHOSE INTERESTS ARE SAID TO BE "INCOMPATIBLE" WITH THOSE OF
LATIN COUNTRIES.

3. COMMENT: THIS DECLARATION IS NOT BINDING ON PARTIES OF
THE OPPOSITION, LET ALONE ON AD. IT INDICATES, HOWEVER,
THAT WITHIN AD THERE EXIST ELEMENTS WHICH ARE NOT OPPOSED
TO THE LEFT-LEANING NATIONALISM OF THE OPPOSITION. THOUGH
THESE ELEMENTS ARE BY NO MEANS IN CONTROL OF THE PARTY,
THEIR INFLUENCE AND SUSCEPTIBILITY TO NATIONALISTIC SIREN
SONGS SHOULD NOT BE DISCOUNTED.

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